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Marxism Bares Trusts' Aims in OPA Wrecking

By George Morris

The murder of OPA by a coalition of polltax and Republican reactionaries is a coup against the great majority of small-income people of the United States, particularly those who earn their livelihood by labor.

It is the result of the ever-present drive of America's monopoly forces to concentrate the national income and wealth into their own hands.

This impoverishment of the mass of people is an unescapable policy under capitalism, as Karl Marx pointed out years ago. The development of capitalism has been steadily marked by the ruination of the small-income people, the increase of the propertyless workers, and concentration of wealth in the hands of fewer and fewer powerful capitalists.

This process takes place both in boom and slump periods.

In periods of "prosperity," wage incomes are kept low by the process of lowering the purchasing power of the dollar.

In crisis periods, wage incomes fall because of widespread unemployment and direct nominal wage cuts.

Small business people find it takes an evergrowing amount of resources to either go into small enterprise or obtain modern equipment and adequate credit, as so many veterans are finding out today. Or, as in crisis periods, small businesses die like flies because they cannot compete with the big ones on the market.

19th Century Argument

The chief argument of those who want OPA to die is that if "free competition" is restored, the process of "natural" capitalist market relations will keep prices down. Those people are offering an argument that appeared plausible back in the 19th century days of capitalism.

American capitalism today is predominantly monopoly capitalism.

The big trusts dictate our economy and its prices. The choice is between government price-fixing or trust price-fixing.

The former would at least hold the line to a degree. The latter would lift all restrictions, being guided only by the policy that the less you make available for the market and the higher the rate

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LABOR and the NATION

Strike Against Profiteers, Rent Hogs, Communists Urge

The Secretariat of the Communist Party issued the following statement yesterday.

The weekly wages and income of the American people are today at the mercy of the biggest steal in the country's history.

A reactionary GOP-polltax coalition in Congress, acting in the interests of the big industrialists, profiteering merchants, landlords and corporation-farmer groups, has kicked aside price controls.

President Truman made no consistent effort to halt the raid of the profiteers. He stepped in only after the horse was stolen.

Properly vetoing the shredded and mangled version of the OPA, Truman has offered his version which itself is very inadequate, though it offers some improvements over the vicious Taft version.

The entire nation stands unprotected before a capitalist class which is in a frenzy of greed, a class which has insolently withheld from the markets accumulated manufactured goods, clothing, cattle, wheat and other supplies.

The trusts failed in their effort to force down the living standards of the working people by a direct attack on their trade unions and wage contracts.

They are therefore shifting their attack on the wages of the workers and on the savings of the people, through an inflationary price gouge.

What they could not steal in the factory and from salaried employees they now will try to steal over the counter.

The men of the trusts, the dreamers of an "American Century," the "get-tough-with-Russia" gang have decided to get good and tough with the people of the United States.

That's the story of the wrecking of OPA.

But the people of this country cannot and will not stand for it.

They cannot accept this wholesale capitalist plundering of their wages which comes on top of their exploitation on the job.

The Communist Party in this crisis urges the people to unite and act!

1. Congress must not be permitted to adjourn without passing adequate price and rent control laws.

Every Congressman and Senator must be put on the spot by the people to compel him to act for the popular welfare and not for the capitalist minority plundering the nation.

2. The people must refuse to pay any increase in rent and oppose evictions through organized RENT STRIKES and mass action of tenants. Individual action cannot be effective. But many tenants in a given house or neighborhood, organized for common action can balk the rent profiteers. Every effort must be made to prevent ruinous competition among tenants for dwellings. There must be no "scab tenants" taking the place of evicted families.

All state governments should be compelled by public pressure to institute immediate state prices and rent control laws. City governments should be urged to issue local rent ordinances fixing rent ceilings.

3. The people must REFUSE to PAY the increases which the profiteers will now try to impose on the nation.

Consumers and trade unions can protect themselves by organizing BUYER'S STRIKES against those who try to spiral prices upward, taking advantage of the present situation.

All shops, stores, department stores, and warehouses where prices are jacked up beyond former OPA ceilings should be exposed and denounced by COMMUNITY PICKET LINES.

4. President Truman must be compelled by united action of the trade union movement and an aroused public opinion to summon Congress to act FOR the people with the same energy and enthusiasm that he displayed in summoning Congress to break the railroad strike.

5. Demonstrations, protest meetings, and delegations to all city, state and national officials should be immediately organized. City-wide "RESTORE PRICE AND RENT CONTROL CONFERENCES" should be organized.

6. Every trade union now faces the necessity of preparing to RE-NEGOTIATE ITS PRESENT WAGE CONTRACTS. If price control is not immediately restored the basis on which the present wage contracts were originally made is null and void.

It is by ACTION along the above lines that the American people can protect themselves against the economic atom bomb attack on their living standards by the Wall Street trusts and their political servants.

Unity and action are the need of the hour. Secretariat, Communist Party.

CIO Maps National Fight for OPA; House Approves Stop-Gap Price Bill

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, July 1.—Amid the terrific confusion and uncertainty that characterized the nation's Capital today because of the collapse of price control, at least one voice was clear and rational. That was labor's.

An emergency meeting of CIO legislative representatives called by Nat Cowan, chairman of the legislative committee, convened early today. Last night labor leaders met for hours with the field staff of National Citizens PAC. This afternoon both groups were in session hammering out a program to save the American people from inflation.

While the formal statement expected has not yet been issued, it was learned that labor and its friends propose the following:

1. Letters and telegrams to all senators and representatives demanding immediate enactment of the resolution extending OPA until July 20, pending the adoption of an effective price control measure.

2. Strong pressure to force through both Houses a workable bill.

3. Widespread activity by individuals and organizations throughout the nation, such as meetings, radio speeches, house to house collection of signatures to telegrams. The use of the July Fourth picnics as Save-OPA rallies.

4. Demand that mayors and governors issue proclamations urging local merchants to hold the price line pending re-enactment of OPA.

5. Local mobilizations to prevent evictions of tenants by greedy landlords.

6. A buyers' strike to cut down purchases to a minimum wherever retailers take advantage of the lapse of price control.

7. A system of volunteer price reports by individuals to their congressmen. In other words,

every citizen should consider himself an unofficial OPA field worker and every day send his congressman a postcard advising him the prices he paid for commodities.

An effort will be made to establish a center to co-ordinate the activities of all groups fighting to salvage price control.

Although Congress met at 2 p.m. today to consider price control action following the expiration of OPA last midnight, it was generally recognized that a period without price control was inevitable.

With the House agreed under administration pressure to limit debate and get down to a speedy vote on a stop-gap bill, stiff opposition in the Senate threatened to block further action there for a week or more.

Meanwhile OPA had found a legal means to hold its organization intact, although it is powerless to act. At a news conference this morning, Price Administrator Paul Porter announced that President Truman had signed an executive order instructing his agency to continue those legal functions left to it.

These include investigation and prosecution of violations occurring prior to July 1, supervision of sugar

rationing, and certain responsibilities for slaughter control.

Porter did his level best to maintain an optimistic outlook today. He said he hoped business men would exercise "restraint" during the interim period without price control. He called attention to the newspaper advertisement of large stores announcing their intention of adhering to OPA prices and schedules.

NO RESTRAINTS

He admitted, however, there was nothing aside from public opinion to prevent dealers from boosting their prices as much as they wished. In a few states, rent control laws are still in effect, but for the country as a whole the prospect is uncertain.

Republican leaders are attempting to gain a partisan advantage in the present situation, which is ironical considering the large share of the responsibility for price control which falls on them.

Senator Robert A. Taft (R-O), author of the worst delayed action bomb in the vetoed bill, angrily answered President Truman on the radio last night.

DENIES ROLE

He denied his amendment would cause the price increases laid to it

by Truman. He warned the final form of OPA legislation will be even more unacceptable to the administration.

He was followed by Carroll Reece, chairman of the Republican National Committee, who attempted to place all the blame for the death of OPA on the Truman administration. And in the House today, Rep. Charles A. Halleck (R-Ind) said the President's veto message "will make good news in Moscow."

The Republican oratory did indicate, however, that the GOP was not willing to take responsibility for the death of OPA and there-

fore would vote for extension of price control in some form.

On the Democratic side, it was clear that despite the President's brave words, he was willing to meet the Republicans half way on price control. First, the resignation of Chester Bowles as stabilizer reflected the readiness of Truman to appease the coalition of Republicans and Southern Democrats. Secondly, Truman in his veto message offered to accept machinery for progressive removal of price ceilings, and even agreed to the principle of price increases "to increase production."

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, July 1 (UP).—The House tonight approved a stop-gap bill resurrecting OPA and continuing all its old powers until July 20, but strong opposition in the Senate threatened to block a return of price and rent controls for a week or more.

Spurred by word of sharp price rises in the few hours since the old control law died, the House passed the temporary bill after three hours of debate.

But it was stopped cold in the upper chamber by Sen. W. Lee (Pappy) O'Daniel (D-Tex) who announced he would block debate on the legislature until Friday and then would filibuster against it "until the end of time."

WASHINGTON, July 1 (UP).—A group of 25 national organizations urged Congress today to restore all rent and price controls immediately, backing up their plea with the threat of country-wide buyers' strikes and other demonstrations.

The organizations make up the National Emergency Committee for Price Control, headed by James G. Patton, president of the National Farmers Union.

Prices Slashed 40% -- In the Soviet Union

Radio Moscow announced yesterday that prices of manufactured goods will be reduced by an average of 40 percent tomorrow throughout the Soviet Union.

The broadcast said leather goods would drop about 42

percent, galoshes 57 percent, woollens textiles 55, silk textiles 50, cotton fabrics 38, dresses 43, hats 30, knitwear 30, stockings 45 and toilet soap 46 percent.

Other reductions, the radio said, would be aluminum

54 percent, paper and cardboard products 35 percent and wallpaper 50 percent.

Production of many items affected by the price cut will be greatly increased by the end of the year, Radio Moscow stated.

Scared N. Y. Dealers Hold Prices, Goods; Watch Washington

With OPA scrapped, it was a policy of watch, wait, pledge, wire and worry throughout the city yesterday. The worrying was done by the average housewife who feared a two-cent rise in milk, a five-cent jump in meat (when available) and a general leap in other food, clothing and household article prices.

This was reflected in a call to the Daily Worker yesterday morning from angry Brooklyn housewives who reported upped prices at Stein's Meat Market, 768 Flatbush Ave.

They said that lamb went up 11 cents above what used to be ceiling, neck meat seven cents, breast of veal eight cents and boneless chuck eight cents.

DISTRIBUTORS CAUTIOUS

Prices throughout the city remained about the same, however, as retailers and distributors watched and waited to see what would happen in Washington.

A spokesman for the Manhattan Hotel Supply Corp., 38 Lawton Ave., said meat supplies were at a complete standstill but that the company was still on ceiling prices pending action in the capital.

"If a new bill is not forthcoming, we'll have to go into an open, competitive market," he said. This means only higher prices.

NO SUPPLIES

A tour along First Ave. found business proceeding according to OPA controls. Dealers complained, however, that they "could get no stuff at all."

A woman in charge of a fruit and vegetable stall in the First Ave. Market complained as a consumer rather than a retailer. She said she had ordered a case of seltzer water delivered to her home yesterday and that she was asked to pay \$2 instead of the \$1.80 she paid two weeks ago. As for her business,

she said she would try to keep ceilings on her fruits and vegetables.

At 193 First Ave. a poultry dealer closed up and left the following sign on his door: "Closed this week. I will not pay higher prices than during the OPA. Open Monday if possible."

F. J. Andre, president of Sheffield Farms, 524 W. 57 St., said Sheffield has not increased the price of milk. He pointed out, however, "Until we know the status of production incentive subsidies which have been paid to farmers, it is impossible to predict what changes may be necessary."

Jack Kranis, president of the National Meat Industry Council and secretary of the New York City Food Industry Council, said retailers are trying to keep ceilings. He added, however, that some wholesalers had already jumped prices from nine cents to 14 cents a pound the moment OPA went out.

TEMPTATION TO EXPLOIT

The president of R. H. Macy & Co., Jack Straus, described lack of price control as a major danger. "It is obvious that in a market where demands far exceed supply, temptation to exploit is rampant," he said.

Meanwhile the New York City Consumer Council stated that a buyers' strike is even more important now than ever. A meeting of the Council's executive board is scheduled for next Monday, July 8, to complete plans for such a strike.

Nation Reports Prices Boosted as OPA Dies

Scattered but ominous price rises throughout the nation yesterday followed the death of OPA. Rents were raised from 10 percent to 500 percent in some cities, livestock and grain prices soared in the midwestern markets, and government spokesmen warned of imminent price rises in the cost of butter, meat and other foodstuffs because federal food subsidies went by the boards along with the price control law.

According to United Press most big stores maintained ceiling prices, but corner groceries and other small tradesmen began hiking prices as soon as they opened their doors. It was their first uncontrolled business day in more than four years.

Rent increases, especially in the South and West, led the upward swing in the first hours after the death of OPA. Livestock, grain and some fruit prices rose on the wholesale markets, rises that were expected to be reflected soon in corner groceries and meat shops.

In New York's Wall Street market, stocks gained one to more than three points and commodities rose to the highest level in more than 20 years.

APPLES COST 100 PERCENT UP

A major Chicago produce dealer said he could not buy apples or oranges on the wholesale market because the price rose so high. He said apples went from \$4.81 a case wholesale to \$8 a case. Large size oranges went at \$2 a case, he said.

Representatives of the radio, radio parts and electronic equipment industry held an emergency meeting in Chicago and agreed in general to maintain present prices on component parts for new radio sets, and not to increase prices for replacement parts of old sets.

COLUMBUS, O., July 1.—Gov. Frank H. Lausche today asked residents of the state to declare a buyers' strike on everything except items essentially needed for health and welfare. He said he would seek passage of a state law to control rents if necessary.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 1.—A landlord described tenant F. T. Kans as "an OPA pet" and raised his rent from \$47.50 to \$75 monthly.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., July 1.—Some rents were increased today 100 percent.

LAGUNA BEACH, Cal., July 1.—A man who had been paying the OPA maximum of \$35 monthly for a one-room kitchenette apartment was notified by his landlady that his rent would be \$10 daily—which means \$300 monthly.

Maryland Wives Demand Strong OPA

Special to the Daily Worker

BALTIMORE, Md., July 1.—Thousands of wives today deluged Maryland Congressmen and Senators demanding immediate action in extending the original OPA bill without amendments.

As veterans, fraternal and labor organizations convened for an emergency conference later today, the Citizens PAC wired Governor O'Connor for a proclamation calling on merchants and manufacturers to abide by OPA ceilings as of June 30.

The Maryland Communist Party issued special leaflets in communities holding open air meetings urging immediate action to restore OPA, and CIO and AFL unions wired all state Congressmen for an OPA extension until July 20.

WASHINGTON, July 1.—UNRRA director Fiorello H. LaGuardia

warned in a public statement that the United States' program of relief to hungry millions abroad was in peril.

Rents in Philly Jump \$10 to \$80

Special to the Daily Worker

PHILADELPHIA, July 1.—Hundreds of tenants besieged OPA offices today as rents skyrocketed from \$10 to \$80 monthly.

Mrs. Anna Goldenberg of 7044 N. Broad St. had her rent boosted from \$50 to \$125. Tenants in a two-apartment rooming house at 503 S. 46 St. had their weekly rents raised from \$6 to \$10, from \$7 to \$9 and from \$10 to \$12.

Local OPA officials said complaints by telephone and in person indicated rentals were being raised on an average of \$5 to \$15 monthly and that unless emergency rent control was promptly established the present trend would develop into an avalanche. Gov. Edward Martin's office in Harrisburg maintained that the state's war emergency act did not authorize him to control rents as other state executives are doing.

Pittsburgh Landlords Gouging Tenants

Special to the Daily Worker

PITTSBURGH, July 1.—Reports of rent raises and evictions were flooding into the OPA district rent office today at a rate of more than one a minute.

To both tenants and landlords the OPA could give only one reply:

*****NATIONAL SCENE*****

NEGRO COLLEGE PREXY VOTES FOR FIRST TIME

COLLEGE PRESIDENT and newspaper columnist, with "advantages of training in college, seminary and university," Dr. Benjamin E. Mayes voted for the first time last June 4. Disfranchised all his life, the president of Morehouse College and writer for the Pittsburgh Courier, "felt like a new creature... it was an experience almost like getting good religion." Dr. Mayes, Negro, voted in the Democratic primary in Georgia.

UNITED NEGRO AND ALLIED VETS forced the Detroit City Council to hold an open hearing tomorrow on its demands for decent housing for veterans. The UNAVA will present its housing program: 50,000 city-built homes, at low cost rentals, financed by municipal revenue bonds and requiring no added taxes, and the requisition of all available space for vet emergency lodging.

A SILENT CONGRESS, broken by the sobs and coughs of a moved audience, heard John G. Winant, wartime ambassador to Great Britain, pay solemn tribute

"See a lawyer. We're out of business."

A tenant from Wilmerding called to report that his rent had been raised from \$18 a month to \$40 a month, "bright and early" this morning.

Large numbers of telegrams are being sent to Congress and to the Pittsburgh City Hall by people all over the city, against price increases.

A delegation from Local 601 United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, from Turtle Creek Valley was sent to Washington to demand that Congress extend the life of OPA. American Veterans Committee leaflets call on the people to flood Congress with a deluge of wires for OPA.

City CIO, ALP Fight for OPA

"Labor will not take this lying down," declared State CIO president Louis Hollander in a telegram to all New York Congressmen on OPA.

Speaking for one million CIO members in New York State Mr. Hollander urged the congressmen to "fight and vote for a resolution to extend the life of the OPA as it is constituted for one year."

The New York State American Labor Party in a wire to all New York Congressmen and Senators demanded immediate extension of OPA price and rent controls by resolution.



MARXISM SHOWS TRUSTS' AIMS IN OPA WRECKING

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of profit per invested dollar, the better business is.

The plotters who killed OPA have only one object—to open the valves through which they could quickly syphon off the savings and improved wage standards that a sizable section of the people have earned and won in recent years.

The claim that wage increases caused the present pressure for higher prices is an argument that comes from the very same quarter that wants the OPA killed.

The high rate of profit reached through the period of war profiteering is responsible for inflation prices.

The trusts are determined that the average return per invested war dollar shall not decline in peace. An industrialist who earns a lower rate views his business gravely—as running behind the "rightful" profit rate. Prices, therefore, are pressed upward, and speedup of production is intensified, to maintain the newly established "just" rate of profit.

Dictate Prices Abroad

America's monopolists are counting on the power of America's momentary economic advantage in the world and an atom-bomb diplomacy to force the world to pay dictated prices.

They also intend to "improve" their position on the world market by more intense speedup of production at home and anti-labor drives to cut wages directly.

Thus they hope to take it out of the hides of the workers at home to raise the profit dollar abroad.

The policy of syphoning off the incomes of the people through elimination of price control, is also a streamlined plunge into depression.

The monopolies hope to carry this out with an even greater speed than the rate of the roaring 'twenties.

There is no economist in the world who is able to show how people who use up their incomes can maintain purchasing power.

People will be cashing their bonds and other forms of savings much faster to keep up with the inflationary spree that death of OPA would bring. The capitalist trusts are rifling the country to satisfy their private class interest.

to the memory of Franklin Delano Roosevelt yesterday.

Mrs. Roosevelt, dabbling at her eyes, sat in the gallery. With her throughout the hour-long ceremony were her son Elliot, his wife and two children; former Secretary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr.; former Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins, Josephus Daniels, former envoy to Mexico, and other members of FDR's cabinet, except the ailing Cordell Hull.

President Truman, stiff and silent, sat with Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace. They heard Winant say:

President Roosevelt was "brave, steadfast, one who dared to see the facts, to face them and to act; one who believed, who hoped."

The one-time Republican Governor of New Hampshire extolled the late Chief Executive whose "stubbornness of purpose" and "strong will enabled him to overcome his enemies and a 'campaign of personal vilification in certain sections of the press rarely equalled in any country.'"

The ceremony was held at noon

WORLD EVENTS

Sneak Bill Gives U.S. Arms to Chiang

The Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy yesterday demanded that Congress delay action on H.R. 6795, which provides for unprecedented aid to Chiang Kai-shek's China. The Bloom Bill, rushed through the House Foreign

UNRRA Joker Is Attempt to Bully Pravda Charges

LONDON, July 1.—Pravda, official organ of the Soviet Communist Party, charged today that the U. S. House of Representatives' amendment to the UNRRA bill concerning Soviet censorship was an "attempt to impose the will of one country upon another."

The United Press reported that the article said the amendment would prohibit the use of UNRRA funds for transport, delivery and distribution of supplies for any country which refused to permit the American press and government representatives "to enter, observe and send uncensored dispatches" about what that country was doing with UNRRA supplies. Author of the article was M. Victorov. It was broadcast by Radio Moscow.

Victorov wrote that "both our press and foreign press repeatedly have noted that reactionary circles in the United States were ever more insistent on a policy of dictate as a main line of American foreign policy."

"They are especially zealous in preaching such policy toward the Soviet Union and miss no opportunity for this purpose. This time, as a pretext for a campaign in favor of a policy of dictate, they use \$1,000,000,000 worth of UNRRA allocations."

The article noted that Dirksen's amendment "openly stressed its anti-Soviet point."

Victorov said that "no reasonable logic can explain Dirksen's amendment." There is no connection, he maintained, between delivering food and granting correspondents freedom.

He said Fiorella LaGuardia, director general of UNRRA, agreed that "Dirksen's amendment would reduce to naught the task of UNRRA and that it would result in the U. S. 'using food as a weapon.'"

Affairs Committee without an opportunity for opponents to testify, would give the President wide powers to assign U. S. Army instructors, and sell or give U. S. military and naval supplies to the Kuomintang party government.

Passage of the bill, said the committee statement, would be "a calamity for China and possibly for world peace."

"If military aid is given to China

before a representative democratic government is established, it will inevitably be used for civil war purposes," the committee, located at 58 Park Ave., declared.

VIOLATES PLEDGES

In a detailed analysis of the measure, the statement said:

- The bill violates previous pledges by President Truman that aid would be given to China only if she were united and democratized.

- A majority of the Chinese people, as expressed by statements of the Democratic League, the Chinese Communists and other anti-civil-war groups, are opposed to the American measure.

- The bill violates Chinese sovereignty, by giving President Truman unprecedented authority to send American military advisers and material into China.

DICTATORIAL POWERS

- The bill gives the President dictatorial powers for 10 years in molding this country's Far Eastern policy. No limits are placed on Presidential authority in relation to China.

- The bill assumes for the United States the rights of the United Nations, since it gives aid to China on the assumption that it will help her discharge UN obligations. These are not specified, and the UN itself

is the only body which has the right to do so.

Strong Opposition

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, July 1.—The Bloom Bill will run into strong opposition in the House, it was indicated here today.

The House Rules Committee, to which the bill now goes, has already received a large number of letters and telegrams opposing the legislation; it was learned, and swift action reporting it out appeared doubtful. No hearings on the bill have been scheduled by the Rules Committee.

The measure was introduced on June 14 by Rep. Sol Bloom (D-NY), chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, at the request of the State Department. Bloom held one open hearing on the bill, at which supporting testimony was given by Undersecretary of State Acheson, Secretary of War Patterson and Rear Adm. Dewitt C. Ramsey. No opportunity was given opponents of the bill to testify against it and on June 27, in closed session, the committee quietly voted approval.

Protests against the bill have been received by chairman Adolph Sabath (D-ILL), chairman of the House Rules Committee.

Halt of Fleet Hit, Goats Dety A-Bomb

By JOSEPH L. MYLER

By United Press

ABOARD U.S.S. MT. MCKINLEY IN BIKINI LAGOON, Tuesday, July 2.—The atombomb test explosion sank or damaged half of the 73-ship target fleet in Bikini lagoon but failed to kill some of the goats left aboard the battleship Pennsylvania and fish still were swimming placidly today in radioactive waters.

In history's fourth explosion of nature's fissionable elements, this time a precise, scientific evaluation of the bomb's destructive force applied to naval surface craft riding "dead duck" at close anchorage, three ships went down, a fourth was hit so hard it was expected to sink and 32 others were scorched, set afire or twisted weirdly. Damage control and estimate crews probed last night and this morning almost to the exact target center and fought blazes on battleships and carriers, goats tethered on the U. S. S. Pennsylvania, three-eighths of the distance from the target center to its perimeter, were found alive and apparently uninjured.

One crew reported finding minnows swimming just beneath the

surface of the radioactive waters around the Pennsylvania.

Rear Adm. Thorvald A. Solberg, in command of the target ships salvage operation, ordered his crews away from the light carrier Independence, hardest hit of the big ships, because Geiger counters indicated the waters contained radioactivity five times greater than a human being could safely endure.

It was Solberg who reported the Pennsylvania goats alive.

"They were standing on the fore-castle deck munching hay with a gleam in their eyes and they seemed perfectly happy," he said.

The calculated timing and planning to almost the exact second and measured inch by the staff of scientists, Army and Navy and atom bomb engineers and staffs of the joint cross-roads was in marked contrast to the hurly-burly of any war-time operation which always depends on unknown factors and demands of circumstances which change by the minute.

THE BOXSCORE:

Sunk—The unarmored transports Billiam and Carlisle and the destroyer Lamson.

Badly damaged and expected to sink—Destroyer Allerton.

Heavily damaged—Submarine U. S. S. Skate, Japanese battleship Nagato and cruiser Sakawa, American battleships Arkansas, light carrier Independence, the heavy cruiser Pensacola and one landing ship.

Lightly damaged—The battleships Pennsylvania, New York and Nevada; carrier Saratoga, cruiser Salt Lake City, landing craft medium No. 1, yard oiler No. 160, and 12 other unidentified ships.

The volcanic detonation struck the Independence the hardest, practically sweeping away the "Island" on the flight deck and staggering it over the starboard rail so that she listed to that side.

Solberg said the sunken transports were just northwest of the Sakawa in the target array, indicating the blast effects may have "skipped" around the Nevada which suffered only light damages as the fleet bulls-eye, much as a house in the dead center of a hurricane escapes harm.

Indonesia Premier Returns From 'Snatch'



Premier Sutan Sjahrir of the unrecognized Indonesian republic arrived at Batavia in a British plane yesterday, smiling and uninjured after 45 hours' imprisonment by heavily-armed kidnapers, the United Press reported from Batavia.

He said he would give details of the kidnaping at a press conference tomorrow.

WORLD BRIEFS

NIP RIGHTIST PLOT ON URUGUAY REGIME



A REVOLUTIONARY ATTEMPT to overthrow the pro-democratic regime of Uruguay's president, Juan Jose Amézaga, has been discovered and crushed, it was officially announced yesterday.

The movement included military and police forces and its leaders have been arrested. Their names were not immediately disclosed.

RIOTING between Hindus and Moslems caused six dead and 80 wounded in Ahmedabad yesterday. Pitched battles were also reported in Calcutta.

A NAZI WITNESS for Hermann Goering at the Nuremberg trials attempted yesterday to revive the old canard about the 11,000 Polish officers, murdered in Katyn forest, near Smolensk. The witness was Col. Friedrich Ahréns, and he was quickly refuted by the Soviet prosecutor, Lev Smirnov. The latter called Prof. Boris Bazilevsky, whom the Germans had forced to work as deputy mayor of Smolensk. He testified that the Nazis—and not the Russians—were responsible for the Smolensk murders.

RIGHT-WING Christian Democratic Union, dominated by the church, won its fourth easy victory in Sunday's constitutional assembly elections in the American zone in Germany, piling up

half of more than 5,000,000 votes cast, complete returns showed today.

Complete zonal totals, official except for tiny Wuerttemberg-Baden, showed the CDU with 2,579,403, Social Democrats 1,855,545, Communists 406,000 and nine other parties 521,486.

A LABOR TEMPLE will be built in Coventry, the city the Nazis bombed into rubble and ashes, as a memorial to Tom Mann, pioneer of the British labor movement who was born there. The City Council and the Coventry trade unions are supporting the project. More than \$16,000 has already been raised for the building.

PRO-LEFT UNITY Dr. Hans Venedy, Greater Hesse's Interior Minister, was quietly expelled from the German Social Democratic Party early last month due to his unyielding support for fusion with the Communists.

Dr. Venedy's grandfather was a progressive member of the first Parliament in Hesse after the 1848 revolution. From the beginning he saw the necessity of unity of both workers' parties, and in the SPD Zonal Conference this spring, he cast his vote with six other leaders for a United Socialist Party. Though Dr. Venedy is now a man without a party and pressure is being brought to have him ousted from his position, he still remains the Minister of Interior.

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Take Nazi Property, Soviet Zone Votes

The first free elections in the Soviet zone of German Saxony has shown a great majority in favor of expropriating Nazi owned properties, United Press reported yesterday.

Of 3,459,658 ballots cast, 2,683,401 voted "yes" and only 571,600 "no." There were 204,657 invalid ballots. The referendum—first balloting in the Soviet zone—was conducted without incident. A total of 3,676,441 were eligible to vote.

As a result of the "yes" vote, it will have to be decided whether the

state will assume ownership of the 1,600 Nazi properties confiscated or whether they will be auctioned to the public.

Observers predicted important properties would remain under state control without compensation to former owners.

NEW YORK

Railway Express Workers Win Stoppage Victory Here

Railway Express workers adjourned their "continuous session" yesterday after four days of unusual labor action and tucked away a sweeping victory over company speedup and "chiseling." Accepting a settlement reached at a conference yesterday morning by a prolonged standing ovation, the express handlers heard the rank and filers of the AFL Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks praised for their solidarity.

The victory came in the face of attempts by Brotherhood Grand President George M. Harrison and Railway Express Co. President L. C. Head to stage a back-to-work movement. Large newspaper ads yesterday signed by the two criticized the men for their "continuous session," but laid no blame on the firm.

Among grievances settled was the all-important "tailgate" problem, through which the company had been forcing express drivers to do work of other classifications. The agreement stipulates that the driver's job ends at the rear of his truck, where the job now will be taken over by platform.

END OVERTIME CHISELING

Also ended was the company's policy of beginning shifts after 6 p.m., by which late shifters would work into Sundays and holidays, losing overtime pay for those days. From now on, no shifts will be scheduled to begin between 6 p.m. and midnight.

Adolph Mazanec, chairman of the New York District Adjustment Board, praised the 10,000 members for their militancy and unity.

"You not only stuck to your guns, but the management now knows you will do it in the future," Mazanec said. "The change in management's attitude

was startling and refreshing. The lesson had to be bitter, but it also had to be given to them."

Apparently referring to the advertisements by Harrison and Head, district board assistant chairman Arthur A. Grace was cheered as he told the men:

"You have disregarded propaganda put out for the purpose of splitting your ranks. Your disregard has won through."

The ad said, "The management of Railway Express Agency and the responsible officers of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks in urging all Railway Express employees who have made this business their life work and who are interested in future employment in express service and are dependent upon the favor of the public to return immediately to their jobs so that these conditions will be alleviated and the public be no longer inconvenienced."

RECONSIDER FIRINGS

Demand of the union that the cases of the 410 workers who have been fired since the company was forced to grant an 18½ cent an hour wage increase early in June be reopened was won. Mazanec said an agreement had been won that these workers would be rehired as

the union showed need for their positions.

Equally important was victory of respect for employees' personal and union rights. No employee may now be suspended pending investigation of charges against him except on counts of theft, dishonesty, drunkenness or assault. Union representatives now will be able to visit men on the job to carry on union

business and probe grievances.

Overtime and lighter work will be issued on a strict seniority basis, ending favoritism. The practice of abolishing positions and shifting the work to others in a speedup to cut the payroll will be discontinued.

An indication of rising sentiment against Jimcrow locals within the union was seen in the ovation given William D. Wilson, president of Jimcrow local 6299, as he mounted the platform. A sharp fight against the separate locals is expected at the union's next convention.

Frees Self From Kidnapers

A wealthy New York dressmaker escaped in Philadelphia after a battle with two men who had held him up in Manhattan, kidnaped him, robbed his Forest Hills home and spirited him away in his own automobile.

The manufacturer, Michael Reiter, 4 years old, said a terrifying five-hour ride ended with a desperate fight for freedom when the robbers stopped the car at a Philadelphia filling station.

While one of his captors was filling the radiator, Reiter grabbed a revolver from the second and pulled the trigger three times, but the weapon failed to go off. The gunman punched Reiter's face and Reiter jumped out of the car. The other gangster grabbed up the revolver, leaped into the car and sped away.

Hoodlums Beat Her Grandson

Mrs. Garfinkel Bewildered at Arrest of Victimized Allan

Mrs. Celia Garfinkel's eight children and 15 grandchildren have never been in trouble. She can't understand why grandson Allan Nissal has to appear in Coney Island court tomorrow.

Allan is one of 11 boys arrested from disorders on charges ranging two weeks ago on conduct to resisting an officer. The charge arose out of an unprovoked attack by Patrolman Angelo Cassano on a group of Jewish boys on the corner of W. 36 St. and Mermald Ave.

Coney Islanders are wondering why attacks by hoodlums on Jewish residents go unpunished, but neighborhood boys get clubbed.

GOOD BOYS

"My Grandmother, sitting outside the apartment house at 2937 W. 35 St., trying to cool off. 'The other boys are good, too.'"

She described the arrest in detail. She spoke animatedly in Yiddish.

"He tried to help another boy. The boy said his mother was not around. So Allan went to call his mother. That is how the policeman arrested him."

"He is such a good child," Mrs. Garfinkel kept repeating. "He didn't want to tell her the story because of her heart trouble."

She kept sighing "Mein Mo'shele," a term of endearment which summed up her fear and grief.

"They always start up with Jewish children. They pick on them. These boys are innocent. I know."

There are some local Democratic party leaders and conservative groups in the neighborhood which

Police Inspector M. J. Murphy of the 10th Uniform Division told a group of mothers who protested the brutality that a probe would be made after the trial.

The Communist Party is conducting a campaign for the removal of all police officers involved in the attack and for additional police protection.

Assemblyman Frank J. Pino is the counsel for the boys in court.

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THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND members of the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers have already received the 18½ cents an hour raise, the union's board meeting at New York was informed. The UE registered a growth of 25,000 members and return of 16,557 veterans during the strike months of February, March and April.

After months of negotiations, General Electric came through with a contract covering its 100,000 workers. The recent wage settlement did not cover the other provisions of the pact. The agreement, running until next April, continues maintenance of membership, preserves the wage gains made, improved hiring rates and other clauses. The locals are now ratifying the pact.

NEW ENGLAND textile mills employing 150,000 workers are shut down this week, but not by a strike. This time it is a mass vacation. Those employed with a company up to five years received a check equal to two per cent of their pay for the year. Those with more than five years, four percent.

CAMEL CIGARETTES are in the labor news. The R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. at Winston-Salem, N. C., is no less stubborn in negotiations on contract renewal, offering only a 4½ cents raise against the 23 cents asked by the CIO Food and Tobacco Workers. The company pays about 24 cents an hour less than do other tobacco firms. On the other hand, the union points out, 1945 profits were \$19,687,000 after taxes.

SENATOR ROBERT TAFT'S words sound like sweet music to AFL top leaders these days. His demagogic assertion that a "democratic government cannot prohibit strikes" is boxed off for special attention in the AFL's weekly news letter.

Taft, chief author of the Case bill and high executioner of OPA, addressed the Tamiment Social and Economic 12th Annual Institute of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

A STRIKE VOTE and some sample picketing at South Bend, Ind., and Bridgeport, Conn., retail stores, brought a raise for Singer Sewing Machine Co. Workers (UE-CIO) of 17½ cents an hour and other improvements. The plant itself is in Elizabeth, N. J.

A three-man delegation of the CIO Textile Workers Union is scheduled to leave for Copenhagen July 9 for a conference called by the World Federation of Trade Unions to form an international textile division. The delegates are secretary-treasurer William Pollock, board member Herbert W. Payne and research director Sol Barkin.

ROSE RUSSELL, CIO Teachers Union legislative representative, arrives in Paris today for a conference that will set up an Educational Section of the World Federation of Trade Unions. The conference was called jointly by the International Federation of Teachers (Brussels), the International Organization of Educational Workers (Paris), and the Inter-American Confederation of Teachers.

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Change the World

By Mike Gold

I SEE where these fascists-disguised-as democrats have got a new taunt for their enemies in America. They call us the "Russia-Firsters." But this is a ridiculous taunt in the atomic age, as anyone not a fascist can figure out.

Whatever ideas may burrow and bubble in anyone's brain-cells, all of us are living together in the United States. Whatever happens here, happens to all. If the Wall Street imperialists pull off the atomic war against the Soviet Union which they are busily preparing, we will all have to suffer the consequences.

Thus, if atomic bombs ever fall on New York, the Daily Worker would be wiped out, as would our mothers, wives and dear children. Yes, we are all in this shipwreck together, and thinking like a Russian is simply impossible, a mirage.

We have an American stake in world peace, not a Russian stake. It is American capitalist imperialism that is threat-



ening our American lives and liberties, and not the Russians.

Hitler's war against Russia began with the destruction of trade unions and democracy in Germany—then proceeded to massacre the millions of democratic people of Europe.

A war of American imperialism against Russia would follow the same pattern. They would first have to wipe out our trade unions, suppress every democratic organization, put down the Negro demand for equal opportunity, employ Hitler anti-Semitism.

All these things are growing with terrible speed in the United States. It is an organized campaign, proceeding from point to point in orthodox fascist style. The imperialists are preparing for their anti-Russian war, or what does it all mean?

LAST week Ambassador Gromyko proposed in the United Nations an international agreement "forbidding the production and use of weapons based upon the use of atomic energy for the purposes of mass destruction."

Just as the international disarmament conference in 1928 heard the "astounding" Soviet proposal that the nations dis-

arm, so Gromyko was listened to with shocked amazement by the western diplomats when he suggested that stockpiles of atomic bombs be destroyed, and forever outlawed, as "a serious crime against humanity," and the "source of continued distrust and anxiety among the peoples of the world."

"There can be no active and effective system of peace if the discovery relating to the ways of using atomic energy is not placed at the service of humanity and is applied to peaceful purposes only."

The fascist and social-fascist press in this country, the haters of humanity, the Bilbos and Dubinskys, all the miserable dregs of our social system united to view this proposal with horror.

As for the politer and smoother ones, the diplomats, they picked a thousand technical flaws in the simple proposal.

You are a Russia Firster, I suppose, if you agree with Gromyko that the American people can be saved from another and more horrible world war by some such international agreement.

"We can't trust Russia. She will attack us if we disarm," shriek the American-fascist-firsters.

The Gromyko proposal provides for the

policing of all nations in such a fashion, including those outside the United Nations.

What is wrong about such a Soviet proposal, when it offers such effective powers to enforce it? Isn't it what we were asking for—security?

But our answer is terrible—these sneers, these ravings of fascists, these slanders of the simple Soviet yearning for peace.

I am writing this on Friday. Under the printing setup here other columnists can do their job the night before, thus are always fresh and hot on the tail of the news. But I must gamble on the news.

Thus, by next Tuesday when this column appears, the Bikini Atoll test of the atomic bombs which will be conducted this week-end, may have drowned New York under huge tidal waves, or buried the west coast in an apocalyptic earthquake, or done other destruction.

Nobody, including the scientists, feels very safe about the tests.

But Bikini is the first answer of American imperialism to the Soviet proposal for world peace based upon strict law, international policing and other realities. Our feet are on the path of hell; it is later than anyone knows.

Letters from Our Readers



MG Discriminates

Against German Communists

Overseas.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Is it becoming the set policy of the U. S. Military Government to launch legal pogroms against members of the German Communist Party? One cannot help but feel a sense of misgiving at the tactics it uses against a legally-constituted party which was the first to incur Hitler's wrath because of its devotion to anti-fascism.

Conceding that the five Communists in the highest positions of the Bavarian Party did enter Berlin illegally as charged by MG, isn't it a little far-fetched (considering the innumerable

violations of this minor regulation by hundreds of Germans) to put these well-known anti-Nazi fighters behind bars for four months?

Isn't it stretching the point when, in answer to the defense lawyers' remarks that the imprisoning of the five Communists would be a Nazi Victory and that they went to Berlin for reasons of an "ideal" and that they alone can free Bavaria of Nazis, the U. S. prosecutor said that those remarks are "echoes of the philosophy of the Nazi Party?"

We maintain the primary job of MG is to destroy Nazism and prevent it raising its gory head in the western zones. Every anti-fascist German should be encouraged and not obstructed in the pursuit of this worthy endeavor. How can we reconcile America's

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prosecution of the anti-Communist, Nazi pack in Nuremberg using that solemn tribunal for an anti-red forum when only a few kilometers away Americans are sending to prison honorable men dedicated to the destruction and prevention of such ideals for which Kaltenbrunner, Schacht, Goering and Von Papen are being tried. This is surely a mockery of the American people and the freedom for which GIs fought.

Democratic Germans would like to know, just as we would like to know, whether Communist senti-

ments is so marked in Bavaria that MG fears it. Or whether the economic and political structure of Dr. Hogner's province is so sublimely perfect that it can afford to erase the efforts of the democratic elements dedicated to denazification.

But if it is MG's intent to enforce the letter of its own laws let it at least be consistent. If the five Communists must be given a minor sentence for a minor infraction, let MG bring to trial, or at the minimum, oust from high councils of the German government, those well-known pro-Nazis, collaborators, and former opportunists who beat the National Socialist war drums and who are currently violating established MG laws.

PFC. MARK HARRISON.

Dime Stores Squeeze More \$\$ From Sales Tax

Jamaica, New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In your editorial, "The Unjust Sales Tax," in June 27th's D. W., you did not mention the obvious way in which some of the large five and ten stores make quite a nice extra profit from the sales tax. They collect a penny from every person who buys anything for over a quarter, but are only required to pay out the tax on the basis of one per cent of the total income. In other words, they may collect as much as four cents on every dollar but only give the city one cent. In some cases it may be even more than this.

This shows that such an unjust law is even more unjust than it appears on the surface. Because of this we should have put a greater fight against the sales tax than we did.

S. R. K.

VETS' VOICE

AVC Jimcrow Fight Weak

By Joseph Clark

There were very few Negro delegates present at the Des Moines convention of the American Veterans Committee. AVC is out to get a million new members. The following letter from a Negro ex-Wac should be helpful to members of the organization who really want to reach that goal:

Chicago.

Dear Brother Clark;

Your column of June 20 was very useful in arriving at a well-rounded estimate of AVC perspective and program.

I agree that AVC is way out in front of the old, established veterans' organizations. However I do feel that the widespread over-estimation of AVC makes it necessary for us not to stop there. Let us measure AVC not only in terms of the backwardness of the established organizations, but in terms of the demands of our present critical national situation. It is my impression that the progressive forces within AVC have a great need for a critical analysis of their problems and responsibilities.

The greatest single danger to AVC is the paralyzing effect of the social democratic influence,

precisely because of its middle class base. Let me illustrate.

If you were at the convention, I ask you to remember the eloquent plea of a Negro delegate in connection with the requirements for membership in AVC. He asked that consideration be given to Negro vets wrongfully given dishonorable discharges. It is my opinion that the delegates would have given such consideration had it not been for the social democratic theme song, "But we won't get a charter."

The immediate response to the refusal of the Rose Bowl Cafe to serve two Negroes was correct and well executed. But let's examine this action a little further. After the story made the front pages of every paper in Des Moines, one thousand dollars was spent to place ads in the leading white dailies stating that the Rose Bowl affair was an isolated incident, and thanking the citizens of Des Moines for their hospitality.

Arnold Johnson, a Negro delegate from New York, who knows better, appeared on the convention platform to give this idea the blessings of the Negro people whom he, at that very moment, was selling short in the hope of recognition for services rendered. Discrimination in America is a

pattern, not an isolated incident. No one bothered to ask the Negro people about the racial pattern of Des Moines.

To add insult to injury, the arrogant assumption was made that the Negro people need to be taught to fight discrimination. "It will show other Negroes that it can be done." The AVC slogan, "Citizens, first, veterans, next," has no meaning at all for the Negro veteran, as illustrated by the Rose Bowl Cafe incident.

It is my thinking that we have a right to ask the question whether AVC spent one thousand dollars to prove how wonderful it is rather than to really advance the fight against discrimination. The organizations fighting discrimination the year 'round in Des Moines could have used that one thousand dollars to sue at least three cafeterias arrogantly notifying Negro patrons that their presence is undesirable.

It happens that the Negro people of Des Moines are going to utilize the Rose Bowl publicity as a jumping off point for a campaign against Katz Drugstore which refuses to serve them at the counter. The United Negro and Allied Veterans chapter in Des Moines will lead the fight. They are now seeking the cooperation of the AVC chapter. This is the testing

ground of AVC's policy against discrimination.

Before closing, I'd like to quote the lawyer handling the Rose Bowl Cafe case, an AVC member, who says, "If my transportation is delayed, I'll appear in court. But the hearing is not so important. Ninety percent of the goal is already accomplished by the arrest and preferring of charges. It will show other Negroes that it can be done." See what I mean by publicity stunt? This is a clear cut example of the social democrats at work. Keep an X-ray eye on them even when they picket for Negro rights.

The progressive forces made a good showing at the convention. It indicates that there will be a real struggle for veterans' welfare from below, in spite of efforts to lead away from main issues on the part of the national leadership.

I found, after a bit of scouting around, that the Negro delegates were full of doubts and confusion as to just what to expect from AVC in regard to their problems of unemployment and discrimination. The problems of women veterans are equally as vital as the question of auxiliaries. I did not hear them discussed at all.

Fraternally,
EDNA GRIFFIN.



7th Grader Wants Simple, Serious Stuff

Chicago.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I am a grammar school student—11 years old and in the seventh grade—and often, when the Worker arrives at my home, I read a few of the interesting articles. I hardly ever gain anything from them, though, because they are written in a way that is much too difficult to understand.

Why don't you have a page for children? One which would consist not of puzzles but of Marxist articles written for younger people. Pretty soon we will be the citizens who will be voting and doing other political work. Why not help us learn about Marxism? How about giving us future citizens a chance to be good citizens?

NAN HOCHBERG.

Seeks Pamphlet Of Marion Summers Articles

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Thanks a million for the series of four articles on "Art Today," by Marion Summers.

Would be happy to learn that these articles are to be printed in a pamphlet form in order that they may reach as many artists art lovers as possible. This would help clear the air of the misleading mumbo-jumbo theories of the abstractionist cult.

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Test or Threat?

WAS the \$70,000,000 worth of atombomb destruction out in the Pacific just a "test"?

Did the country's militarists have to explode the bomb for the fourth time in order to find out what it could do?

We doubt it. In fact, along with most atom scientists, we are convinced that this was no "test" at all. What the atombomb could do was demonstrated at Nagasaki and Hiroshima.

The Bikini "test" was a warning to the rest of the world.

If there was any kind of "test" about it, it was a test as to how the rest of the world would react to it. It was a test as to how much pressure could be imposed on the international negotiations now going on at Paris, compelling surrender to the Administration point of view which is the view of the biggest trusts and most reactionary militarists at this moment.

It is understandable why a Wall Street trust, out to seize markets, colonies and loot, and aiming to smash up trade unions in Europe and along with it democracy and the socialist state, should gloat over the possession of this death-dealing monster.

But exactly why are the American people supposed to rejoice in this superiority over the other democratic peoples?

The Bikini "test" only added new proof to the fact that this weapon must be outlawed and all atomic warfare must be outlawed. That's the Soviet proposition. The Baruch proposition doesn't go that far. It tells others to accept control while we hold the monopoly.

So long as we brandish the bomb in mankind's face, we can't expect peace.

The working class and the people of this country have the job of reversing this ghastly "get tough" program which is turning mankind's miracle discovery into a private weapon of an imperialist class which wants to be the atombomb ruler of the world. The world won't submit. That means war.

Mississippi

ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL Theron L. Caudle has informed the United Negro and Allied Veterans of America that the Department of Justice will take "prompt action . . . with respect to any interference with the right of qualified Negroes to vote in Mississippi."

Many Negro and white spokesmen, including Senator Glen Taylor (D-Ida) have proposed that action be taken so that the words of the Department can be carried into deeds.

Senator Taylor urged that President Truman send troops to Mississippi today to protect Negro voters "if that is the only way their rights can be assured."

Yesterday, in a telegram to President Truman, the Daily Worker endorsed this demand.

Sen. Theodore Bilbo has issued repeated calls to "every red-blooded Anglo-Saxon" to do violence to American citizens exercising their constitutional rights. Bilbo dons a martyr's cloak, charging "northern interference," but already his actions have resulted in violence against Negro registrants.

Failure of the Justice Department to act can only result in encouraging the activities of the Ku Klux Klan and other subversive organizations and individuals.

We are not here dealing with a mob or "anonymous" state officials.

We are dealing with a Senator of the United States—unrepresentative though he be of the constituency from which he hails. The Senate Elections Committee is now preparing to investigate Bilbo's fascist calls to violence. If it fulfills its task it will recommend the impeachment of Bilbo.

All decent Americans should let the Senate Elections Committee know that they will not let their conscience rest with the presence of such a spectacle as Senator Bilbo in the nation's highest legislative body.



Views on Labor News

Divided Labor Courts Disaster

By George Morris

AMERICA'S greatest tragedy in these days when the security of small-income people is so threatened, is the sitdown strike against united labor action by top leaders of the AFL.

William Green and associates refuse to budge from the position they took nearly two years ago when CIO president Philip Murray proposed to them joint national action on the crucial issues upon which both labor wings are agreed.

Even the perfunctory collaboration between the CIO and AFL that we had for a while under Roosevelt, has disappeared. Serious as labor's difficulties were during war days and after the war, when the reconversion drop in the wage takehome hit workers, and through the wage struggle that followed, the challenge now is far more threatening.

We are on the threshold of the biggest cut and most sudden slash in living standards American workers have ever had in one crack. The immediate threat is not a cut in nominal wages, but a rise in prices, rents and services that is so steep that within weeks the dollar in a worker's hand will shrink another 10 or 20 percent. The war bonds he is cashing, far from increasing in value as we were told when they were bought, are purchasing far less now than the money invested in them

brought in the past. The 18½ cents gained recently, and more, will disappear.

Cut In Take-Home From the Store

The net effect will be that the worker will receive a smaller share of the value he creates than any time in history. The American capitalist class will have accomplished through the smashing of price control, and the resultant inflation, what it failed to accomplish through direct assault upon the wage envelope.

In face of this open conspiracy to dispossess the vast majority of the American people — and who can doubt it with the kind of performance we have seen by the O'Daniels and Tafts? — the best we get are parallel statements from Green's and Murray's office.

The great power of a 14,000,000-strong labor movement is being ignored even by those in Congress who so often come to labor with unlimited promises to get its votes. This was well shown during the "Black Saturday" session of Congress when Truman sought to stampee it for his bill. Only 14 heeded labor's appeal. It was also shown on the Case, Lea, Hobbs and other such measures.

We Communists have often warned of the approaching storm. A thousand times we said that unless labor learns to throw its full weight around despite differences in its ranks, its gains of recent years will turn into empty shells.

The Truth Hits With Hammer Blow

The truth of what we have been saying is now being borne out. Leaders of labor at least up to

highest state-wide level, are forming joint bodies of labor in many states to combat the threats that have developed in recent weeks.

Now we have no illusions in people like Bill Green, Matt Woll, Bill Hutcheson, John L. Lewis or Dave Dubinsky. But we do know that even they respect pressure that is strong enough. I remember how in 1944, when New Haven labor formed a joint body, Green brought down his full authority upon the AFL council there with a letter forbidding such dangerous combination. There were a few cases of defiance of Green at that time.

Now there are numerous such joint movements embracing some of the most important state and regional AFL bodies. But Bill Green doesn't dare to tell them now that this is verboten. He tries as hard as he can to keep up an atmosphere of division by his attacks upon the CIO's drive in the South, or upon its maritime and civil employees unions. That did not stop the AFL of Oklahoma, Minneapolis, Buffalo, Missouri, Ohio Valley and many other regions from entering into joint action with the CIO against anti-labor legislation and for price control.

This all proves that with more vigorous effort, and more encouragement for it by the CIO through renewal of the unity proposal, the pressure upon the AFL's top heads could come to a deciding stage.

That joint action of labor is needed and urgent, is no longer a matter for debate. It is mainly a problem of concentrating the full weight of the spreading movement to crash through the Chinese Wall that Green and associates have built around themselves.

Redin 'Spy Secrets' Published in Ads

By Ellen McGrath

SEATTLE, July 1.—The so-called "secret" information on the destroyer tender, USS Yellowstone which Herbert Kennedy, government witness, claims he gave to Lt. Nicolai Redin, military attache of the USSR, could have been acquired in any ordinary engineering manual or in the advertising of the companies producing the machinery.

This was made clear by defense counsel, Tracy Griffin and Irvin Goodman, as they continued to puncture the charge of espionage lodged against the 30-year-old Soviet naval officer in federal court here.

Another step in the elaborate publicity build-up was revealed by the government. In Friday's session prosecution sought to introduce "evidence" which would be "secret" from all except legal counsel, the defendant and the jury.

Insisting that everything be treated as evidence, Griffin said after viewing the so-called "secret" document, "there isn't anything in it that I couldn't have written myself."

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Herbert Kennedy, government witness, contends he gave the information to Lt. Redin. He kept a copy, he said, which he submitted to the FBI.

Judge Black withheld ruling until after the noon recess when govern-

ment counsel Anderson withdrew his request, but asked that the press not print the documents.

The "secret" documents, including an elementary description of a ship "warming up" at the dock and taking a brief spin in Puget Sound, evoked little interest.

The "secret" nature of the non-combat vessel was further shattered when it was revealed that a sister ship, the Great Lakes, had been on sale to the highest bidder for some time—with no takers.

Kennedy's testimony simply singled out occasions during the numerous social contacts between the Redin and Kennedy families when the two men were alone—and he says Redin asked about the Yellowstone.

REVISES MONEY FIGURES

While his testimony declares that Redin offered "lots of money," he shaved this down to one \$50 and

another \$200 payment which he alleges Redin made.

Kennedy admitted no one witnessed the conversations—and Lt. Redin denies they took place. The question becomes one of the integrity of Kennedy or Redin.

Kennedy admits he is a British subject.

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CINCINNATI, July 1.—The closing session of the 37th conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People yesterday wired President Truman and U.S. Attorney General Tom Clark to punish those guilty of the anti-Negro terror in Columbia, Tenn.

More than 10,000 persons, Negroes and white, gathered in the open air at Nippert Stadium, were greeted by heavyweight champion Joe Louis and Mrs. Gladys Stephenson, of Columbia, Tenn.

Mrs. Stephenson, whom the Columbia lynch mob sought last February and who was saved by brave action of Columbia Negroes, called for support of the NAACP fight in Maury County Court for freedom of the 25 Negroes on trial there.

"We are grateful to the NAACP," declared Mrs. Stephenson, "things like this cannot be fought alone."

The wires to President Truman and U. S. Attorney General Tom Clark stated the federal government is responsible "for affirmative action to bring about prosecution of guilty state officials" in the Columbia case.

"Therefore," said the telegrams, "we urge you to take all necessary steps to insure prosecution of guilty parties in the Columbia incident and to protect Negroes throughout the South as well as the right to vote and other civil rights guaranteed by the United States constitution."

The air show of the veteran Negro 447th Aero Squadron, which opened the meeting, was led by Col. Benjamin O. Davis, Jr. There were six B-25 Mitchells and four P-47 Thunderbolts.

Joe Louis told the crowd, "you all

should be behind the NAACP 100 percent."

Walter White, NAACP secretary, told the vast audience:

"All members of the NAACP and all enlightened Negro voters, and whites as well, who want to see the democratic process preserved," White declared, "Must ignore party labels and vote for men and measures."

"We must use the yard-stick of votes and actions on such measures as Fair Employment Practice, price control, housing, the poll tax, and enlightened and anti-imperialist foreign policy."

The NAACP, White reported, now has a membership of 520,000, he set the membership goal to be reached at the time of the conference next year in Atlantic City at a million.

White expressed the opinion that "certain highly disciplined political parties" are aiming "to capture" the far-flung NAACP branches.

In line with the new policy of "rating" candidates for public office, but not endorsing them, the NAACP leader stressed the organization remains "non-partisan, non-political."

White demanded that the Department of Justice act at once to assign agents to every polling booth in Mississippi, Georgia and Tennessee during the coming primary elections to enforce the rights of Negroes to vote.

PRESS ROUNDUP

CROCODILE TEARS ON OPA

THE TIMES terms the President's veto of the OPA wrecking bill a "reckless act," saying, "He must have known that he was going to leave the country, at least for a time, without any price control law at all," and "Every day without price control must multiply the difficulties of returning to an orderly price control." With this slick formulation, it tries to pose as a champion of "orderly price control" while saying that the President should have signed the very disorderly substitute for price control which he vetoed Saturday. In its two long editorials on the subject, the Times doesn't find room to suggest that the President insist on immediate emergency legislation establishing real price control.

The smoke from Bikini hadn't settled before military expert Hanson Baldwin had the navy situation well in hand from the fourth floor of the Times Building. "In other words," he sums up, "Bikini presages for navies a new era in which the plane, the missile and the submarine, plus automatic methods of control, are likely to be dominant."

THE NEWS bypasses OPA and Bikini with a learned editorial entitled "Let's Talk About Rubber," which, summed up as well as a News editorial can be, says we mustn't listen to "Henry (Wallace) and his fellow world savers" who want us to resume normal pre-war imports of natural rubber, but must keep turning out more synthetic rubber at home.

THE MIRROR says "Price Control Must Not Die!" but don't get excited, it's just quoting from the Daily Worker in an attempt to show that price control really is socialism.

THE TRIBUNE, after objecting to the veto as something that "defies explanation," does wind

up its editorial on OPA with "In the circumstances, no time should be lost in reviving the legislation which expired last midnight until a new measure can be worked out."

George Fielding Eliot, apparently pining for another war to expert, says wistfully that "in such a war the Russian armies could not operate . . . if the industrial centers of Russia . . . blotted out by atomic attack." He wouldn't use it against the Yugoslavian people, however. He's a regular guy. "We can deal with the Tites of this world by limited means."

THE POST supports the Presidential veto, saying HR 6042 (the vetoed bill) invited inflation. "Better to call a spade a spade," it says, and "better to call Taft a wrecker and economic reactionary."

PM's Alexander H. Uhl, who criticized the Soviet Union for vetoing the pass-the-buck deal on Franco Spain, says a friend of his clapped him disdainfully on the back and said, "Ah, yes, just like the rest of them. You're nothing but a liberal after all." Presumably the disdainful friend hit the same spot on Uhl's back that Franco had just finished patting.

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM's Parker La Moore, who has earned his promotion to the old Pegler spot, attacks the Polish elections as "a setup." La Moore, toujours, La Moore . . .

THE SUN proudly reports columnist George Sokolsky receiving an honorary degree from Notre Dame following a commencement address at the University. "Youth Urged to Join Fight to Save Western Democracy" the headline reads. Our youth recently finished fighting the Japanese fascists for whom Sokolsky was formerly a paid propagandist.

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By Ellen McGrath

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This was made clear by defense counsel, Tracy Griffin and Irvin Goodman, as they continued to puncture the charge of espionage lodged against the 30-year-old Soviet naval officer in federal court here.

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Judge Black withheld ruling until after the noon recess when govern-

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Reactionary Italian mobs continued to attack Slovene and pro-Yugoslav Italians in Trieste yesterday, amid a general strike called by the pro-Yugoslav Independence front.

Heavy fighting took place around the offices of the Communist newspaper, Il Lavoratore, which represents Italian workers who want to unite with the Yugoslavs and favors the cession of Trieste to Yugoslavia.

The first edition of the paper was burned, and when 13,000 Slovene workers arrived for the second edition, they were attacked by a band of reactionaries. Seven persons were wounded by rifle fire.

The Trieste disturbances, which began Sunday, have all the earmarks of a reactionary attempt to stave off some solution of the Trieste issue at the foreign ministers meeting in Paris.

The general strike, which Italian National Committee for Venezia Giulia called yesterday at 3 p.m., had literally closed down every place of business in Trieste. It was impossible to buy food or a drink or make a telephone call. The Italian committee said the strike was a protest against "marauding bands," which it wants arrested.

"Disturbances and tense feelings are the worst yet," Col. Alfred Bowman of the United States Army and senior Allied officer in Trieste, said.

The Allied information service announced that nine American and British officers and enlisted men, instead of the five previously reported, were wounded last night by a hand grenade thrown against the hoodlums during a battle in the heart of the city.

Punish Anti-Negro Inciters, NAACP Asks

By Harry Raymond

CINCINNATI, July 1.—The closing session of the 37th conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People yesterday wired President Truman and U.S. Attorney General Tom Clark to punish those guilty of the anti-Negro terror in Columbia, Tenn.

More than 10,000 persons, Negroes and white, gathered in the open air at Nippert Stadium, were greeted by heavyweight champion Joe Louis and Mrs. Gladys Stephenson, of Columbia, Tenn.

Mrs. Stephenson, whom the Columbia lynch mob sought last February and who was saved by brave action of Columbia Negroes, called for support of the NAACP fight in Maury County Court for freedom of the 25 Negroes on trial there.

"We are grateful to the NAACP," declared Mrs. Stephenson, "things like this cannot be fought alone."

The wires to President Truman and U. S. Attorney General Tom Clark stated the federal government is responsible "for affirmative action to bring about prosecution of guilty state officials" in the Columbia case.

"Therefore," said the telegrams, "we urge you to take all necessary steps to insure prosecution of guilty parties in the Columbia incident and to protect Negroes throughout the South as well as the right to vote and other civil rights guaranteed by the United States constitution."

The air show of the veteran Negro 447th Aero Squadron, which opened the meeting, was led by Col. Benjamin O. Davis, Jr. There were six B-25 Mitchells and four P-47 Thunderbolts.

Joe Louis told the crowd, "you all

should be behind the NAACP 100 percent."

Walter White, NAACP secretary, told the vast audience:

"All members of the NAACP and all enlightened Negro voters, and whites as well, who want to see the democratic process preserved," White declared, "Must ignore party labels and vote for men and measures."

"We must use the yard-stick of votes and actions on such measures as Fair Employment Practice, price control, housing, the poll tax, and enlightened and anti-imperialist foreign policy."

The NAACP, White reported, now has a membership of 520,000, he set the membership goal to be reached at the time of the conference next year in Atlantic City at a million.

White expressed the opinion that "certain highly disciplined political parties" are aiming "to capture" the far-flung NAACP branches.

In line with the new policy of "rating" candidates for public office, but not endorsing them, the NAACP leader stressed the organization remains "non-partisan, non-political."

White demanded that the Department of Justice act at once to assign agents to every polling booth in Mississippi, Georgia and Tennessee during the coming primary elections to enforce the right of Negroes to vote.

PRESS ROUNDUP

CROCODILE TEARS ON OPA

THE TIMES terms the President's veto of the OPA wrecking bill a "reckless act," saying, "He must have known that he was going to leave the country, at least for a time, without any price control law at all," and "Every day without price control must multiply the difficulties of returning to an orderly price control." With this slick formulation, it tries to pose as a champion of "orderly price control" while saying that the President should have signed the very disorderly substitute for price control which he vetoed Saturday. In its two long editorials on the subject, the Times doesn't find room to suggest that the President insist on immediate emergency legislation establishing real price control.

The smoke from Bikini hadn't settled before military expert Hanson Baldwin had the navy situation well in hand from the fourth floor of the Times Building. "In other words," he sums up, "Bikini presages for navies a new era in which the plane, the missile and the submarine, plus automatic methods of control, are likely to be dominant."

THE NEWS bypasses OPA and Bikini with a learned editorial entitled "Let's Talk About Rubber," which, summed up as well as a News editorial can be, says we mustn't listen to "Henry (Wallace) and his fellow world savers" who want us to resume normal pre-war imports of natural rubber, but must keep turning out more synthetic rubber at home.

THE MIRROR says "Price Control Must Not Die!", but don't get excited, it's just quoting from the Daily Worker in an attempt to show that price control really is socialism.

THE TRIBUNE, after objecting to the veto as something that "defies explanation," does wind

up its editorial on OPA with "In the circumstances, no time should be lost in reviving the legislation which expired last midnight until a new measure can be worked out."

George Fielding Elliot, apparently pining for another war to expert, says wistfully that "in such a war the Russian armies could not operate... if the industrial centers of Russia... blotted out by atomic attack." He wouldn't use it against the Yugoslavian people, however. He's a regular guy. "We can deal with the Tites of this world by limited means."

THE POST supports the Presidential veto, saying HR 6042 (the vetoed bill) invited inflation. "Better to call a spade a spade," it says, and "better to call Taft a wrecker and economic reactionary."

PM's Alexander H. Uhl, who criticized the Soviet Union for vetoing the pass-the-buck deal on Franco Spain, says a friend of his clapped him disdainfully on the back and said, "Ah, yes, just like the rest of them. You're nothing but a liberal after all." Presumably the disdainful friend hit the same spot on Uhl's back that Franco had just finished patting.

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM's Parker La Moore, who has earned his promotion to the old Pegler spot, attacks the Polish elections as "a setup." La Moore, toujours, La Moore...

THE SUN proudly reports columnist George Sokolsky receiving an honorary degree from Notre Dame following a commencement address at the University. "Youth Urged to Join Fight to Save Western Democracy" the headline reads. Our youth recently finished fighting the Japanese fascists for whom Sokolsky was formerly a paid propagandist.

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SPORTS

In this
cornerJimcrow Ran Last at
Texas AAU

By Bill Mardo

As you know, the AAU track championships were held in San Antonio over the weekend, Texas, that is, and while no earth-shaking revolution will sweep the South in its aftermath you can rest assured that the very fact that Negro and whites competed together on an equal basis in the heart of the South—that Southerners sat in the Alamo Stadium and watched seven national titles go to dark-skinned athletes—yes, you can rest assured that another wedge was driven deep into the lie which has, for so long, kept the South strangled in its own world of discrimination, ignorance, polltaxes and night terrorism.

While Bilbo was telling an audience in Starkville, Mississippi, that he'll "fight, fight and fight, kill, kill and kill," in another section of the South Negro athletes were winning, winning and winning. While Bilbo was turning the stomach of all decent Americans with his frantic, croaking plea that "the best time to see the Negro about not voting is the night before," Texans looked on . . . and many of them learned from it . . . as a Negro sprinter named Billy Mathis copped the 100-meter dash; as another Negro runner named Barney Ewell captured the 200-meter crown; as the 400-meter event went to yet another Negro speedster named Elmore Harris; as Dave Albritton, Negro, took the Running High Jump title; as Willie Steele, Negro, sped home the victor in the Running Broad Jump; yes, and as Bilbo droned on in Starkville, Mississippi, about the God-given superiority of the Anglo-Saxons . . . in San Antonio, Texas, it was a Negro, Harrison Dillard, who racked up the only double-victory of the AAU meet by winning both the 110-Meter High Hurdles and later the 200-Meter Low Hurdles.

This, in our opinion, was the single overriding factor which made it correct to campaign in favor of Negro runners going South to compete in the first large-scale AAU championships ever held below the Mason-Dixon line. That on a Southern athletic field, despite any other considerations, both Negro and whites would prove in life the futility of Jimcrow, the monstrous falsehood of Bilbo's white supremacy spleen.

We don't have available yet all the facts about what took place socially in San Antonio this past weekend, but we do know that on the whole, the question which was so strongly debated for months, re: "Should Negro Athletes Compete in Jimcrow Texas," has now been answered. Not only should they have competed, but they did. And the entry of Negro athletes into the Southern meet was done, not in any submissive, yielding-to-Jimcrow manner, but as part and parcel of the larger fight against Jimcrow. The Daily Worker, for one, while urging Negro athletes to go South and blast the white supremacy myth, at the same time fought a campaign to win as much possible in the way of non-Jimcrow accommodations for the Negro athletes who wanted to go to Texas. The trade unions in New York did a good job, urging AAU secretary Dan Ferris to guarantee that there would be no Jimcrowing of the great Negro champions who wanted to put their titles on the line right in the land of Jimcrow.

It was because of all this, then, that a powerful triumph was scored around the question of winning equal, non-Jimcrow transportation on the jaunt South. All the athletes, Negro and white, used the same car, a special Pullman which was attached to the Pennsylvania Railroad's "Spirit of St. Louis," and then to the Katy Line's "Texas Special." All the athletes ate together in the regular dining car on the Katy Line.

There were no color lines drawn on the railroad ride South. This must be considered a true victory in the fight for Negro rights. Sure, now that the track meet is over, Jimcrow will once more rule on the Southern railroad lines. Not for too long though—remember the victory just scored on the Southern bus lines?

And those thousands of Texans . . . those who saw Negro and white athletes run, jump and pole-vault together . . . shake hands all the way around after each event . . . a white hand clasped sincerely in a black hand . . . those Texans who saw Negroes lose and win . . . they'll have cause now to wonder why, if white and Negro played together, yes, why weren't they allowed to stay together in the same San Antonio hotel . . . and if they learned anything from the sight of interracial competition, then they'll be wondering about a lot of other things, too . . . about the vote . . . the men like Bilbo . . . the terrible hoax that is Jimcrow.

Sizing Up Yanks' Flag Hopes

By C. E. Dexter

Can the Yankees win the American League flag?

The current short series with the currently triumphant Boston Red Sox should help answer this question, although it cannot bring the Dickeymen to within striking distance of the league leaders.

Saturday's game with the Philadelphia Athletics was illustrative of the real problems which face the Yankees. They lost 2 to 0 to the tall-enders, who are really no push-over, despite their lowly position.

In that game, Red Ruffing, who had won five straight games against no losses, retired at the end of five innings with a badly bruised right knee, caused by a liner from the bat of Hank Majeski. Ruffing, a once-a-week pitcher, had helped keep the Yanks near enough to the Bosox to make a stretch drive possible. But although he had only given one run, a homer by George McQuinn, he had been hit hard and it was doubtful if he would have completed his chore.

During the ensuing innings, Mel Queen, that promising speedball pitcher who had gone into the Army in 1944, pitched ineffectively to three batters, leaving with the bases full. Queen may still become the answer to the Yanks' most crying need, pitching strength. The return of Jumbo Bonham to duty on Sunday wasn't much help in the box.

Except for Spud Chandler and Floyd Bevens, the Yanks have had not reliable pitching all season. Chandler, now 38, has shown slight signs of weariness. Bevens has vastly improved. The critical condition of the staff was best exemplified last week when Bill Dickey, sent Tommy Byrne, a wild, untried southpaw, into the box against the peerless Bobby Feller, thereby conceding a game before it had even begun.

In Saturday's game, Phil Rizzuto suffered a torn fingernail. Snuffy Stirnweiss took his place. The benching of Stirnweiss during the recent western trip pointed up a criticism frequently heard of Dickey's management—that he is depending upon 1943 Yankees to carry him to a pennant in 1946. With Lindell on first in lieu of Nick Etten, and Billy Johnson on third, only first string catcher

Aaron Robinson was not on that team which defeated the St. Louis Cardinals in the '43 World Series.

All regular Yankee writers were mystified by the benching of Stirnweiss. Snuffy had not made an error at third base. He had played at short and second. Getting off to a bad batting start, he had averaged .290 since May 15. He had led the league last season in hits, runs scored, stolen bases and triples. He is an expert lead-off man who works bases on balls with uncanny skill.

One rumor is that Larry MacPhail suggested Snuffy's benching to Dickey. Snuffy held out for a \$5,000 pay increase last spring, which would have brought his salary up to \$20,000. It was refused. He missed the Canal Zone trip, accepting a two-year contract at the old figure.

The Yanks, with such infielders as Rizzuto, Gordon, Johnson, Grimes and Crosetti are well-equipped in that department. Despite his great ability, Stirnweiss could be spared—and for a round sum.

But George happens to be a Bronx boy, playing in the Bronx. He is popular with the fans; indeed, when his name is announced over the public address system during the recital of the line-up, it always is greeted with the loudest cheers. To trade George or sell him would affront thousands of Yankee fans—always provided he was in the line-up day by day. But if he is reduced to a utility job, as at present, fans may either forget him or believe that his benching was necessary since his total batting average at the time was only .250.

It happens that the Yanks started to win shortly after Johnson took Snuffy's place. But the winning streak was not due to Johnson, although Billy played good ball. The real reason was the return to

power hitting of Joe DiMaggio, whose five homers and other hits tipped the scales in favor of the Yanks.

No one doubts that Johnson will play an acceptable third base. But he is not the personality kid of the Stirnweiss type, is a less sure fielder. Add to this the uncertain qualities of Lindell at first and the Yankees present somewhat less than pennant possibilities in the infield.

Rizzuto is the flashiest shortstop in today's game. He is suffering, however, from bone chips in his throwing hand. When he is on the bench the team suffers, too, for of the three positions which Stirnweiss plays, shortstop offers the most difficulties to him.

The Yankee outfield is, of course, as good as any in baseball—not excluding the over-rated Philly combination which has been getting so much publicity recently. Indeed, the Yanks are dangerous at all times. If they had more first string pitching and if Stirnweiss were put back into play, they would have a better opportunity of overhauling the Red Sox and of setting up another dream World Series between Flatbush and the Bronx.

Bosox Cop Eight
All-Star Berths

Seven American League rivals who have been brushed aside by the pennant stampede of the Boston Red Sox wondered tonight if the combined strength of the National League will be able to stop the surge of the Sox in the Major League All Star game on July 9, at Fenway Park.

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WOR-Easy Aces-Sketch
WJZ-News; Kiernan's Corner
WABC-Harry Marble, News
WMCA-News; Music
WQXR-News; Music to Remember
6:15-WOR-Bob Elson, Interviews
WJZ-Ethel and Albert-Sketch
WABC-Frontiers of Science
6:30-WOR-Fred Vandewater, News
WJZ-Allen Prescott
WABC-Larry Carr, Baritone
WMCA-Racing Results
WQXR-Dinner Concert
6:40-WEAF-Sports-Jack Costello
6:45-WEAF-Lowell Thomas, News
WOR-Sports-Stan Lomax
WJZ-Here's Morgan
WABC-Robert Trout, News
WMCA-Sports Resume
7:00-WEAF-Supper Club, Variety
WOR-Fulton Lewis, Jr.
WJZ-Headline Edition
WABC-Patti Clayton, Songs
WMCA-News; Recorded Music
WQXR-News; Celebrity Hall
7:15-WEAF-News of the World
WOR-The Answer Man
WJZ-Elmer Davis, News
WABC-Gordon Macrae, Songs
WMCA-Five-Star Final
7:30-WEAF-Ward Donovan, Songs
WOR-Arthur Hale
WJZ-Boston Blackie-Play
WABC-Melody Hour
WMCA-Don Goddard, News
WQXR-Record Rarities
7:45-WEAF-H. V. Kaltenborn
WOR-Sports-Bill Brandt
WMCA-String Orchestra
WHN-Johannes Steel
8:00-WEAF-Johnny Desmond, Margaret
Whiting, Songs; Herb Shriner
WOR-Nick Carter-Sketch
WJZ-Lum 'n' Abner
WABC-Big Town
WMCA-News; Recorded Music
WQXR-News; Symphony Hall
8:15-WJZ-The O'Neills-Drama
8:30-WEAF-A Date With Judy-Comedy
WOR-The Falcon-Play
WJZ-Sammy Kaye Show
WABC-Theater of Romance
WMCA-Wake Up America Forum
8:55-WABC-Bill Henry, News
9:00-WEAF-Where Do We Go from
Here?-Chester Bowles
WOR-Gabriel Heatter
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WABC-Arthur Godfrey Show
WMCA-News; Music
WQXR-News; Concert Hall
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9:15-WOR-Real Life Stories
WJZ-Ted Malone; News, Stories
9:30-WEAF-Fred Waring Variety Show
WOR-American Forum
WJZ-The Doctors Talk It Over
WABC-Encore Theater
WQXR-Pierre Monteux Conducts

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WABC-520 Kc. WENY-1450 Kc.
WNJ-1000 Kc. WQXR-1500 Kc.
- 9:45-WJZ-Eugenie Baird, Songs
9:55-WJZ-Harry Wismer-Sports
10:00-WEAF-The Man Called X-Play
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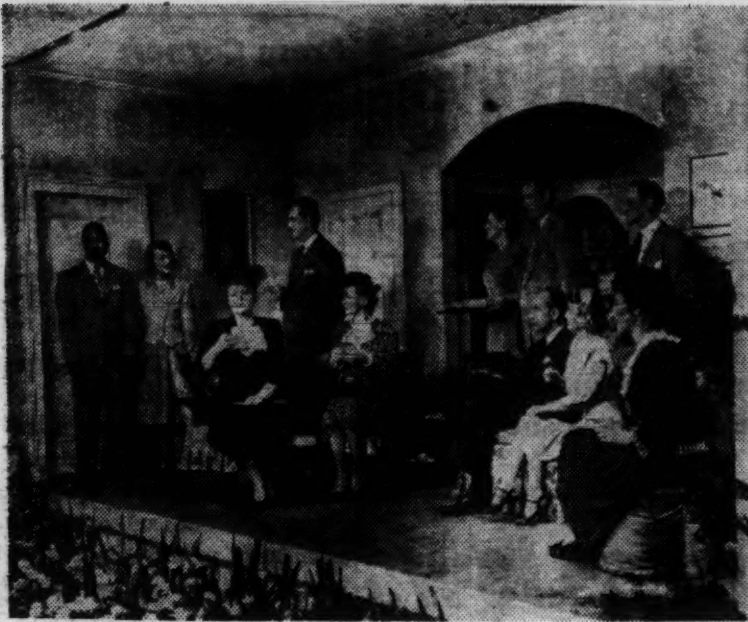
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WMCA-News; Music
WQXR-News; Record Album
10:15-WOR-String Ensemble
10:30-WEAF-An Evening With Romberg
WOR-The Symphonette
WJZ-Rooster Hop
WABC-Open Hearing
WMCA-Dr. Frank Kingdon
WQXR-Just Music
10:45-WMCA-UN This Week-Talk
11:00-WEAF, WOR-News; Talk
WABC, WJZ-News; Music; Talk
WMCA-News; Music
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BOOKS -- FILMS -- THE ARTS



Canada Lee, Perry Wilson, Will Geer and others in a scene from Maxine Wood's "On Whitman Avenue" at the Cort Theater.

Toward Democracy In Radio

By WILLIAM C. KELLY

PRO-FASCIST forces are striking out wildly and recklessly in an effort to prevent the people of the New York City area from obtaining a license for an FM radio station.

This became evident the other day when Roy Howard, owner of the *World-Telegram*, put on a fresh silk shirt and went for another walk about town with that strange-looking little animal that he keeps on a leash, Frederick Woltman.

Howard takes as much pride in his own dress as he does in his newspaper, and is said to change into a different-striped silk shirt several times daily. But the pet that he leads around on his walks is always the same one and at the end of each walk this odd creature is always rewarded by his master with a huge piece of cheese.

Of course, this is not the only indication of the species of this pet. It is considerably larger than a mouse and is a plague carrier. In this case, the plague is fascism.

The disguise that fascism wears in the case of Roy Howard is not only loud silk shirts. It is anti-communism. It is red-baiting in all its forms. Howard has hired Woltman to study Hitler's technique and try to improve upon it. Woltman has found that he cannot improve upon Hitler, so he simply uses the same technique for the same purposes—attempting to defeat the democratic aspirations of the people.

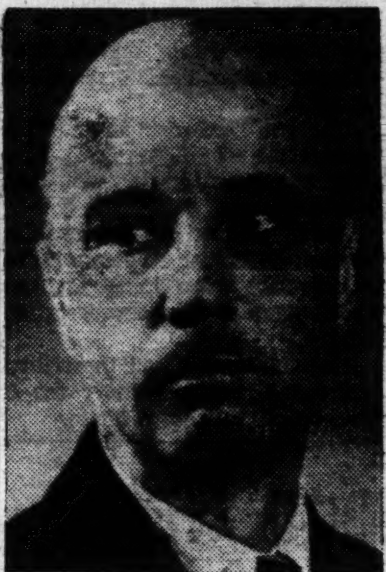
The Peoples Radio Foundation, made up of liberal, labor and progressive organizations and individuals, is asking the Federal Communications Commission for a license to establish an FM radio station in the New York City area. The *World-Telegram* carried a special Woltman emission on page one, describing this application in a scare headline as "REDS IN DRIVE FOR FOOTHOLD IN FM RADIO."

THE USUAL HITLER BRAND

The technique employed, as has been suggested, is the usual Hitler brand. Charles Chaplin once made a famous anti-Hitler satirical movie, "The Great Dictator." People who are real anti-fascists are hated by Howard. Chaplin believes the radio could be improved from a cultural standpoint if it were closer to the people. Chaplin is a sponsor of the Peoples Radio Foundation. The Howard-Woltman line is that any one who is as anti-Hitler as Chaplin must be called a Communist. Therefore, according to this reasoning, the Peoples Radio Foundation must be Communist.

However, the truth of the matter is quite far from what Howard and Woltman pretend. This is not unusual either.

The Peoples Radio Foundation is one of eighteen applicants for five FM radio channels in the New York area, which will be ruled upon by



ROCKWELL KENT

the FCC in hearings beginning here July 8.

The Foundation is headed by Rockwell Kent, famous artist and author; John T. McManus, well known New York newspaperman, and many others, as previously reported in this newspaper. The Furriers Union, UE, and many other labor and progressive organizations and individuals are stockholders.

If the FCC grants a license to the Peoples Radio Foundation it will be a step forward for democracy in radio. Over such an FM station the people, the little fellow, would have a chance to get into the radio field which has been almost exclusively monopolized by large commercial and reactionary interests.

This FM station may be realized if liberal, labor and progressive organizations and individuals write a letter to the FCC, says the Peoples Foundation in a recent press release. The Foundation suggests that you write your letter to the FCC and mail it to the Peoples Radio Foundation, 100 Fifth Ave., New York 11, N. Y., requesting the issuance of a license to PRF. Your letter will then be presented to the FCC at the hearing, July 8, with other similar endorsements.

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Hot Night

By Beth McHenry

IT was a hot muggy night and the little girls were having trouble sleeping. The smaller one kept saying, hot, Mommy, and rolling about fretfully in her crib, while the older one wanted to know if the Ice Cream Man in the park was asleep.

When I get big, she said, I'm going to have an ice cream wagon and you and Papa can have a big pop every day with chocolate on the outside of it and Katie can have a cup so it won't drip all over her. Then she said, do the Ice Cream Man's children have ice cream every day, Mommy, and no cereal? And then she wanted to know, does the Ice Cream Man go to meetings, Mommy?

After awhile the little girl had to see if the moon was out and what the stars were doing, so we took her to the window for a look. There was neither a moon nor stars but just a heavy hot mist overhead, and the little girl said, I guess the Gas Company came and turned off the lights in the sky.

After awhile, she said, does the Man in the Moon have a nose, Mommy, and eyes? And does he go to meetings? she wanted to know. And has he got a wife? And are the stars his children? And then she said, but I thought you told me he slept in the daytime, Mommy, where is he now?

Then the little girl turned her attention to the fire-escape. Let's go upstairs and see Mother Goose, she said, we'll go up all those stairs clear to the top and that's Mother Goose's house. Perhaps she isn't home tonight, we suggested. Oh, yes she is, Nell insisted, because she had to put her two children to bed. And what are the children's names? we asked her. Paddy Goose, said the little girl, and Mike Gold Goose. The Papa Goose isn't there, she added, he's gone to a meeting.

The little girl was getting sleepy now and she rested her curly head upon her arms on the window-sill. All right, Mommy, she said, I'll go to bed now and well go up to Mother Goose's tomorrow. She sighed and yawned and her voice got smaller and a bit blurred. The Ice Cream Man will be there, she said, and Katie can have a cup.

Marais and Miranda In New WOR Series

Joseph Marais and his singing companion, Miranda, are now being heard in a new weekly series of programs over WOR on Saturdays from 10:15 to 10:30 a.m., offering songs of the South African veld and folk songs of European countries and America.

Toscanini Film

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Hellman's Thoughtful Anti-Fascist Film

By David Platt

The movie of Lillian Hellman's *The Searching Wind* describes one American family's contribution to the growth of fascism in Europe between 1921 and 1941. Despite numerous dramatic and political shortcomings it is a thoughtful indictment of the appeasement policy that helped to bring about world war two.

The characters include Alex Hasen (Robert Young), a State Department official who believed that war could be prevented by giving the fascists everything they asked for; his wife Emily (Ann Richards), a wealthy socialite who hobnobbed with fascists; his father-in-law Moses (Dudley Digges), a Wilsonian liberal who smelled the danger of fascism but was too tired to do anything about it; Cassie (Sylvia Sidney), an anti-fascist newspaper woman and friend of the family who broke away from them for political reasons; Sam Hasen (Douglas Dick), who lost a leg in the very war which his father thought he was averting by appeasing the fascists.

Alex, Emily, Cassie and Moses were in Italy when Mussolini marched on Rome. Alex, who was officially representing his Government, said it was none of his business, refused to take sides. Emily felt at home at the parties thrown by the Blackshirts. Her disillusioned "liberal" father, who had sold his powerful newspaper to a Tory, recognized the monstrous evil that had sprung up but maintained a defeatist attitude toward it. Only Cassie felt like doing something to stop this new threat to humanity. She and Alex were considering marriage, but she dropped him when she saw that his conservatism was giving comfort to an enemy of democracy.

The years pass. Alex is now an Ambassador in Berlin. And still making one tragic mistake after another. He has married Emily, though still deeply in love with Cassie. They have a young son. Alex is convinced that the Nazi menace will blow over. When the fascist war against Spain breaks out he takes a neutral position. After a short struggle with his conscience he dictates a report to Washington supporting the betrayal at Munich.

The result is a war in which his only son returns home deeply wounded and embittered. That is Alex Hasen's small punishment for twenty years of cowardice.

In a final, gripping scene, Hasen's son demands that those who run the country do something now to make sure that it will not happen again.

It's a good speech but it fails to quiet the fear that Alex Hasen, the diplomat, will keep on making the same mistakes over and over again. Even after a war which has wiped out millions of young men like Sam,

Lillian Hellman's *THE SEARCHING WIND*. A Hal Wallis production directed by William Dieterle. Screenplay by Lillian Hellman. Cast includes Robert Young, Sylvia Sidney, Dudley Digges, Ann Richards, Douglas Dick. At the Paramount.



LILLIAN HELLMAN

the diplomat is still writing articles of an appeasement character.

The truth is that Sam's stirring speech and Cassie's anti-fascism are not strong enough to overcome the lack of sharpness in Robert Young's portrayal of the conservative State Department representative. The film is much too polite to this symbol of America's pussyfooting abroad.

One wonders why Miss Hellman did not state frankly in her picture that at the bottom of Alex Hasen's political struggle was fear of the Soviet Union, fear of the working classes, that he was faithfully carrying out State Department policy—a policy of opposition instead of collaboration with the Soviet Union to halt aggression.

Failure to even mention the Soviet Union as the chief bulwark against fascism weakens the film's indictment of those Americans in responsible posts who betrayed our national interests. It limits its value at a time when men like Alex Hasen are still at work preparing the ground for another blood bath.

The political indecision of *The Searching Wind* is carried over, into the love story. Cassie's persistent love for the diplomat whose ideas she despises serves to throw doubt upon her anti-fascism. The domestic struggle between Alex Hasen, the appeaser, and his Cliveden Set wife likewise takes the edges off Hasen's guilt. The result has little in common with the actual behavior of people like Cassie and Alex Hasen during those fateful years.

The Searching Wind pulls punches but it manages to say many important things nevertheless. It is by far the most important Hollywood film now playing on Broadway.

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Report International Control Of Trieste Accepted by USSR

The Soviet Union yesterday reportedly accepted the French compromise proposal for the internationalization of Trieste, disputed city of the northern Adriatic, but there was some doubt as to whether the United States would agree fully.

The last disputed point appears to center around the Soviet proposal that Czechoslovakia be made one of the nations responsible for the Trieste autonomy plan. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes was reported by United Press as planning to reply on this today.

The French proposal—which is a big step toward the success of the foreign ministers parley—provides that Trieste plus a narrow belt around it become an international state under the joint sovereignty of the Big Four, plus Italy and Yugoslavia.

DEMOCRATIC ASSEMBLY

A democratically elected house of representatives would govern this state, under a governor agreeable to the great powers.

The UN Security Council would have powers of review under the statute of the new state, and be responsible for clearing up conflicts. The scheme would last for 10 years.

The Trieste state proper, would extend from Duino, 12 miles northwest around the eastern part of the city to Cittanova 27 miles to the south-southwest.

Presumably, the rest of the Julian March, up to the line originally proposed by France, would go outright to Yugoslavia. This would give

the Yugoslavs 3,120 square miles with 540,000 people, of whom 376,000 are Yugoslavs. Italy would retain 505 square miles, with a population of 423,000, of whom 115,000 are Yugoslavs.

FRONTIER

The French line runs about 15 miles east of what the Soviets had originally proposed for Yugoslavia. It goes from the Villach area of Austria, east of Plesz and Caporetto, through Tolmino and down to the Adriatic at a point above Parenzo. Yugoslavia would get the naval base of Pola, and Fiume to the east.

Molotov had some minor counter-proposals, backed by France, which would have given the Big Four instead of the whole Security Council jurisdiction in case of disputes. But James F. Byrnes rejected this flatly. Byrnes promised to consider the bid for the inclusion of Czechoslovakia in the Trieste administration.

Senator Says Bilbo Plots to Break Law

WASHINGTON, July 1.—Sen. Theodore G. Bilbo was charged before a Senate committee today with engaging "in a widespread plan to break Federal laws." The committee, however, passed the buck to another body and declined to investigate.

On the eve of the Mississippi Senator's "white supremacy" bid for re-nomination, Sen. Glen H. Taylor (D-Ida), told the Privileges and Elections Committee that Bilbo had raised an issue which, "in the minds of millions of our citizens, tests the sincerity of our Senate."

"It is as important to the future of our republic as any problem which has come before us this session," Taylor said. "We cannot duck it. We cannot avoid it. It is before us."

Bilbo told Mississippi election meetings to "use any means" to prevent Negroes from voting. He promised to defend any person arrested for so doing, adding that he had defended 11 persons on murder charges, all successfully.

Taylor told the committee it "must act fast" if it is to act, but then offered a suggestion which put possible action off—to refer the situation to the special committee on campaign expenditures.

Committee chairman Theodore F. Green (D-RI) quickly accepted the offer, saying his group lacked jurisdiction.

Justice Dept. Pledges 'Careful Attention'

Special to the Daily Worker

CHICAGO, July 1.—A promise of government action to protect the rights of Negroes to vote in Mississippi was received here yesterday by the United Negro and Allied Veterans of America.

Assistant U.S. Attorney General Theron L. Caudle, in a statement addressed to Kenneth O. Kennedy,

UNAVA national commander, said: "This matter is receiving the careful attention of the Department of Justice and prompt action will be undertaken with respect to any interference with the right of qualified Negroes to vote in Mississippi."

Demand Grows For U.S. Action

More demands for Federal intervention in today's Mississippi's Democratic primary were made yesterday by Negro and civil rights organizations.

Emanuel Bloch, investigator for the National Civil Rights Congress, asked U.S. Attorney General Tom Clark and Sen. James Mead (D-NY) to "safeguard the purity of the election and to protect Negroes from bodily harm."

Admit Fair Trial Impossible in Columbia

By Harry Raymond

COLUMBIA, Tenn., July 1.—The state's attorney conceded today, in face of overwhelming defense evidence on a change of venue plea, that the 25 indicted Columbia Negroes could not receive a fair trial in Maury County.

But he demanded that the trial be moved to Lawrence County, on the Alabama border, which attorneys for the National Association for Advancement of Colored People charged would be an even more prejudiced place to try the defendants than in Columbia.

"It would be worse than jumping from the frying pan into the fire," declared chief defense counsel Z. Alexander Looby.

Attlee Blames Jews For British Terror

Clement Attlee, premier of the British Labor government, tried to defend his policy in Palestine yesterday, charging that it was all the fault of the Jews, who are allegedly adopting "some of the worst methods of their oppressors in Europe."

Attlee made it plain that the British military occupation and search of Palestine would continue. He spoke after a cabinet meeting, attended by Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, chief of the imperial staff.

The Premier was forced, however, to accept a Labor motion for a full dress debate on the Palestine crisis. All normal House of Commons business was suspended.

Attlee revealed that President Truman was informed in advance—on June 19—of the impending British measures to round up all "illegal arms" in Palestine and frighten the community into submission.

The Premier denied, however, that the United States had been consulted, and took full responsibility for Britain.

30,000 TROOPS RAID

Meanwhile, in Palestine itself

the third day of their relentless manhunt.

The Zionist organization in Palestine adopted a resolution urging non-cooperation with the government until the terror ceases.

Attlee gave details of the Palestine development, revealing that 70,000 Jews are organized in the main self-defense organization—Haganah—which has a striking force of 5,000.

The two "terrorist" organizations named are the Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Stern gang, with some 6,000 members.

Attlee claimed that since December, 16 British soldiers and five police have been killed and material damage has exceeded \$16,000,000.

He said Britain had the right to repressive measures under the old League of Nations mandate.

Furniture Union Raps Deserter President

Officers of the CIO United Furniture Workers of America announced yesterday that a general executive board meeting here on July 20 will name a new international president to replace Morris Muster.

Muster, who refused to accept the decisions of the recent Detroit UFWA convention and aligned himself with a group of red-baiting disrupters, resigned his post Saturday.

A letter sent each of the affiliated locals, made public from the union's general office, warned that Muster's desertion is "an attempt to create division and dissension" in the union's ranks.

LOCALS BACK UNION

The letter was signed by vice-presidents Morris Pizer, Nicholas Blatner and Gus O. Brown; secretary-treasurer Max Perlow and or-

ganization director Ernest Marsh.

The statement issued by the five officers said that wires are pouring in to the general office from locals all over the country denouncing Muster and assuring the union full support.

Muster's resignation came as a rump conference of several locals, called by George Bucher of a small Philadelphia local, met at Washington to plan a split in the union. Muster addressed the conference. CIO leaders, invited to speak, did not attend.

Muster, in a statement widely

Press Corner:

Baltimore NMU Gives Daily \$100 For Aid in Strike

Special to the Daily Worker

BALTIMORE, July 1.—A membership meeting of the National Maritime Union here voted to donate \$100 to the fund drive of the Daily Worker and the Worker.

The gift was authorized in an amendment proposed by Port Agent Harry Conner to a resolution praising the Daily Worker and The Worker for its coverage of the maritime struggle, which ended in victory June 15.

The seamen also contributed \$200 to the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, which is defending Franco's victims.

The press resolution emphasizes the anti-union propaganda in the "kept press," and continues in part:

"Besides our weekly Pilot, there was only one daily newspaper, which day by day, consistently presented our side of the story, and devoted page after page of space in an effort to mobilize the people in support of our just demands, and because of this support we were able more surely and quickly to win the biggest gains ever made at any one time by the workers in the maritime industry, therefore be it

"Resolved: That the membership of the Baltimore Branch of the National Maritime Union extend a vote of thanks and appreciation to the Daily Worker of New York, with the hope that the paper will grow in influence and will continue to give its invaluable support to the working people of America in their efforts to gain decent wages and working conditions."

publicized in the press, laid his resignation to "capture" of the UFW by "communists." The statement of the five officers, going into the record of the entire board and officers, pointed out that each one of the five has been holding top office in the union since its inception in 1937 and all were re-elected at the Detroit convention. Similarly almost all board members were re-elected.

Muster's resignation, they said, "is the act of a petulant, irresponsible, publicity-seeking man who would never hesitate to wreck the UFWA to satisfy his own ego."

"Mr. Muster's post-convention hysteria," the statement continued, "reflects the undemocratic dissatisfaction and an autocratic will unable to overrule the will of the majority."

"We are sure that the exhibition by Morris Muster will deservedly earn him the contempt and distrust of the furniture workers and of the entire labor movement."

tempting to do. For some reason the State wants it in Lawrence County. We don't want it in Lawrence County."

Judge Joe M. Ingram withheld decision on the change of venue plea until tomorrow morning.

Julius Blair, 75-year-old Negro community leader and one of the defendants, said that only six Negro families live in Lawrenceburg, county seat of Lawrence County, 30 miles south of here. He added that Negroes are not permitted to reside in Loretta, leading town in the county.

The most damaging testimony

was contained in an affidavit by Jesse Owen, 44-year-old white crane operator.

Owen, a native of Columbia, testified Clarence Witwell, boss of a TVA project, forced him off his job as a crane operator there because he was sympathetic with the framed-up Negroes.

TVA officials told Owen white men had pressed for Owen's dismissal and were threatening violence against him. They told Owen, who went to Washington for his own safety, the men were pressing for time and that it would not be safe for him to remain in Columbia.